# Riley County Health Department Strategic Plan January 2017-December 2019



## Vision

Healthy People in a Healthy Community

#### Mission

To promote and protect the health and safety of our community through evidence-based practices, prevention, and education

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# Letter from Local Health Officer and Board of Health Chair

The Riley County Health Department (RCHD) and the Riley County Board of Health (BOH) are pleased to present our organizational strategic plan for 2017-2019. As a BOH and as a local health department, we are tasked with promoting and protecting the health and safety of Riley County citizens. We have a vision of *Healthy People in a Healthy Community*. This strategic plan will be our roadmap over the next three years. It will help us know where we are headed, how we will get there, and how we will know when we arrived. Over the past year, we have identified four strategic priorities to focus on: Promote and Protect Health, Community Outreach and Engagement, Quality and Sustainability, and Skilled and Engaged Staff.

In addition, this strategic plan will put us on the pathway towards Public Health Accreditation Board (PHAB) Accreditation. With the help of community partners, RCHD staff have been working towards accreditation in other ways including participating in the 2015 Riley County Community Needs Assessment (CNA) and the 2015 Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) Process. This strategic plan aligns with and is informed by those efforts.

As the strategic planning process is ongoing, this is plan intended to be a "living document". We have set forth goals and objectives that are SMART (Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant, and Timeoriented) and will monitor our progress on an ongoing basis. To achieve these goals, we need your help. This strategic plan provides an opportunity for cross-sector collaboration and partnerships with community organizations and Riley County citizens. We invite you to participate.

Jennifer Green, MPH, Ph.D. Administrative Director and Local Health Officer Riley County Health Department Ronald Wells Commissioner, District 3, Chair Board of Health

# **Executive Summary**

Beginning in January 2016, Riley County Health Department (RCHD) staff members participated in an iterative strategic planning process facilitated by Kansas Health Institute (KHI). Representatives from each RCHD program formed a Strategic Planning Team. Over a twelve month period the Strategic Planning Team completed an Environmental Scan, Program Assessment, and SWOT (Strengths, Weakness, Opportunities, and Threats) analysis. The strategic plan is informed by data including information from the 2014 Local Public Health Systems Assessment (LPHSA), 2015 Riley County Community Needs Assessment (CNA), 2015 Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) Process, a policy scan, and a financial analysis. The process included engaging with all RCHD staff, Riley County Commissioners serving as the Board of Health (BOH), the Riley County Public Health Advisory Council (PHAC), and more than 40 community partners and organizations for input. The result is a renewed commitment to the RCHD vision, revised mission and value statements, and four strategic priorities that will guide the work of all staff for the next three years. In addition, the Strategic Planning Team produced an action plan with goals, objectives, outcome measures, and action steps that will set the strategic plan into motion and can be monitored over time.

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- Providing quality services.
- Serving with leadership and integrity.
- Advocating for advancement of public health policies

#### **Our Strategic Priorities and Goals**

#### 1. Promote and Protect Health

Goal: Assure activity or collaboration within each of the Kansas Foundational Areas of the Foundational Public Health Services model:

- Health Promotion and Disease Prevention
- Communicable Disease Control
- Environmental Health
- Maternal, Family, and Child Health
- Access to and Linkages with Clinical Care

Goal: Utilize evidence-based practices to address health risks, health behaviors, disease prevention, and wellness

# 2. Community Outreach and Engagement

Goal: Expand and strengthen relationships with community partners

Goal: Develop strategies to improve communication with partners and the public

Goal: Advocate and educate for a health in all policies (HiAP) approach to decision-making

#### 3. Quality and Sustainability

Goal: Integrate continuous quality improvement into organizational practices, processes, programs, and interventions

Goal: Achieve Public Health Accreditation Board (PHAB) Accreditation

#### 4. Skilled and Engaged Staff

Goal: Recruit, hire, retain, and train a competent and diverse workforce.

Goal: Support and facilitate workplace wellness for Riley County Health Department employees

# Introduction

The RCHD Strategic Plan for 2017-2019 will guide our department's priorities and activities over the next three years. Over the past year, RCHD staff have participated in a strategic planning process facilitated by KHI. An organizational strategic plan is being completed not only as a part of RCHD's intention to apply for PHAB Accreditation, but as a part of a successful and strategic approach to public health. This organizational strategic plan guides our work towards becoming a more efficient and effective health department that provides high quality programs and services that will positively impact the health of the community. This report provides an overview of the strategic planning process and the resulting strategic plan. The report is divided into six sections:

- 1) The Mission, Vision, and Values section defines each of the adopted statements.
- 2) The Summary of Environmental Scan Results and SWOT Analysis sections reviews these processes. A summary of the results includes an analysis of RCHDs strengths and weaknesses as well as external trends, events, and policies that may impact community health or the health department.
- 3) The Summary of Strategic Priorities Section describes each of the four strategic priorities and how the priority impacts RCHD and the community.
- 4) The Goals and Objectives Section provides a definition of goals and objectives as used in this report. For each strategic priority, one to three goals and related SMART objectives are presented.
- 5) The Linkages with the Community Health Improvement Plan and Quality Improvement Section includes information about the CNA, LPHSA, and CHIP process. This section includes information about how these assessments link to the strategic plan along with the Quality Improvement (QI) plan.
- 6) The Putting the Strategic Plan in Action Section provides an overview of how the report will be used and includes outcome measures for each goal that will be used to monitor performance on a quarterly basis. Information about how performance data will be used is included.

This report also provides additional information in four appendices. Appendix A includes a strategic action plan which was developed to outline action steps for each set of goals and objectives. The action plan includes information about parties responsible for completing the task, a time frame for completion, and identifies any additional needed resources. An example action plan is included. Appendix B includes a list of the members of the Strategic Planning Team. An overview of the strategic planning process including additional details about the Environmental Scan, SWOT analysis, and selection of strategic priorities, goals, and objectives is included in Appendix C. Finally, Appendix D will include future annual reports of progress in meeting the goals and objectives included in the plan. Annual reports will also describe how the progress towards RCHD goals and objectives benefits and influences the health of the community. This report is intended to be a "living document" and will be updated as progress is made or as goals and objectives need to be adjusted.

# Mission, Vision, and Values

#### Vision

The vision of the organization is a futuristic view regarding the ideal state or conditions that the organization aspires to charge or create.

The vision of RCHD is:

Healthy People in a Healthy Community

#### Mission

The mission of the organization's purpose. It defines what the organization does and why.

The mission of RCHD is:

To promote and protect the health and safety of our community through evidence-based practices, prevention, and education

#### **Values**

Values are the principles, beliefs, and underlying assumptions that guide the organization.

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# Summary of Environmental Scan Results and SWOT Analysis

An Environmental Scan is "a process that systematically surveys and interprets relevant data to identify external opportunities and threats. An organization gathers information about the external world, its competitors and itself." To inform the strategic planning process, meaningful data and information is compiled for analysis, historical and existing data useful to inform the development of the strategic plan is identified, and plans for collecting additional data and information are developed as needed. In January 2016, KHI facilitated an Environmental Scan with RCHD staff.

Key issues to address with Environmental Scan data were:

- Community Needs and Health
- Client Characteristics
- Financial Picture of RCHD and Community
- Health Department Strengths and Weaknesses
- Current Capacity of the Health Department
- Learning and Growth Needs
- State, National, and Legislative Issues

#### Data sources included were:

- RCHD annual reports
- 2015 CNA results including health status, community perceptions, and demographics
- 2014 LPHSA results
- RCHD financial analysis
- An agency review against PHAB standards
- Policy and legislative scan
- RCHD program assessment and information

Results from the Environmental Scan and program assessment are summarized below.

2015 CNA and CHIP

A primary source of information for the improvement planning process was the Riley County Comprehensive Community Needs Assessment (CNA) Report, which has been used as the basis of the Riley County CNA. Project coordination for the CNA was provided by Riley County Seniors' Service Center, and it was conducted by the Center for Community Support and Research at Wichita State University. "The overarching theme of the data collected is that Riley County is a community that is divided between a high quality of life, prosperity, and growth on one hand, and dwindling resources for and lack of attention to those who are most in need on the other." Findings indicate that Riley County offers a high quality of life, is experiencing rapid growth highlighted by a spirit of community and collaboration. The CNA also identified areas for improvement including: 1) an invisible population with significant needs 2) a lack of accessible and affordable mental health services 3) a lack of affordable housing and 4) a lack of accessible and affordable child care. The full CNA report can be accessed here: http://www.rileycountycommunityneedsassessment.org/

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Society for Human Resource Management

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Riley County Community Health Needs Assessment

Following the CNA, RCHD and community partners began Riley County's community health improvement planning process. This iterative process involved over 200 stakeholders in reviewing data, discussing needs, and identifying priorities. Based on a series of meetings with key stakeholders and organizational partners, community listening sessions, and planning team work sessions, 13 priorities were identified. Of those, three were selected as having the most potential for collective impact in improving the health of Riley County: 1) communication and coordination of systems and services 2) transportation and 3) mental Health

The full CHIP Process report can be accessed here: https://www.datacounts.net/rcchip/

#### • 2014 LPHSA results

In 2014 the LPHSA also took place. A national, standardized tool was used to score activity level related to the 10 Essential Public Health Services. Overall, Riley County's local public health system scored very favorably. No essential services scored in the "No Activity" or "Minimal Activity" level range. Six services scored in the "Moderate Activity" range and included developing policies and plans, monitoring health status, and educating and empowering. Three services (Mobilize Partnerships, Enforce Laws, and Link to Health Services) scored in "Significant Activity" range. One service (Diagnose and Investigate) scored highest, in the "Optimal Activity" range.

The full LPHSA report can be accessed here: https://www.datacounts.net/lphsa/

#### • RCHD Financial Analysis

In 2015, the total revenues for RCHD were \$3,941,600 with the largest source of funding coming from federal, state, and local grants (54%). RCHD expenses totaled \$3,538,495 with personnel accounting for the largest expenses (65%). The ending 2015 balance was \$572,196.

The complete 2015 financial statement can be accessed here: http://www.rileycountyks.gov/DocumentCenter/View/13114

#### Policy and legislative scan

Staff identified several policies and legislation that may impact RCHD funding and programs. For example, the Kansas Property Tax Lid (Senate Bill No. 316) would require the governing body to vote in order to raise property tax funds, so that county agencies could be funded. This may impact the county's ability to match the funding given to the RCHD programs through grants.

Further, the Kansas Association of Local Health Departments (KALHD) 2016 Policy Statement includes support for the Foundational Public Health Services (FPHS). This policy focuses on the basic set of public health services that must be provided or assured by all local health departments. These areas include: Health Promotion and Disease Prevention; Communicable Disease Control; Environmental Health; Maternal, Family and Child Health; and Access to & Linkages with Clinical Care.

#### An agency review against PHAB standards

An Accreditation Readiness Self-Assessment tool development by KHI was completed. This tool provides a general sense of ability to complete each PHAB measures and standards for each of the 12 PHAB domains. Scores range from one to five, with a low score of one indicating no activities are being conducted and no documentation is available and a high score of five indicating significant activity is taking place and adequate documentation is available. Results are summarized in the table below. Areas

with the highest scores were Domains one, two, and eight. Improvements in activity and documentation are needed in Domain nine.

For more information about PHAB, please visit: http://www.phaboard.org/

Domain	Average Score
<b>Domain 1:</b> Conduct and Disseminate assessments focused on population health status and public health issues facing the community	4.64
<b>Domain 2:</b> Investigate health problems and environmental public health hazards to protect the community	3.80
Domain 3: Inform and educate about public health issues and functions	3.11
Domain 4: Engage with the community to identify and address health problems	4.75
Domain 5: Develop public health policies and plans	2.56
Domain 6: Enforce public health laws	4.50
Domain 7: Promote strategies to improve access to health care	2.17
Domain 8: Maintain a competent public health workforce	4.20
<b>Domain 9:</b> Evaluate and continuously improve processes, programs, and interventions	1.29
Domain 10: Contribute to and apply the evidence base of public health	3.00
Domain 11: Maintain administrative and management capacity	3.73
Domain 12: Maintain capacity to engage the public health governing entity	3.67

In addition, the RCHD Strategic Planning Team participated in a program assessment facilitated by iBossWell, Inc. A program assessment can guide in:

- Assessing programs against trends of increasing demand with fewer resources
- Gaining a greater focus by determining what programs to invest more in or divest
- Exploring and increasing opportunities for collaboration
- Advancing organizational sustainability through a comparative view of mission-impact and financial profitability
- Discussing the needs of the program to help inform the strategic planning process
- Creating a business case for potential new programs Data from the CNA indicates

The assessment used the MacMilian Matrix<sup>3</sup> and the Matrix Map<sup>4</sup> to assess 11 health department programs and services including Child Care Licensing, Health Education, Public Health Emergency Preparedness, WIC, Immunizations and Family Planning, and Maternal Child Health.

The MacMillan Matrix approach provides an organization guidance for considering the future direction of each of their programs. Each category results in a simple bottom-line rating:

- 1. Fit with the Mission Good or Poor Fit
- 2. Program Strength Strong or Weak Program Strength
- 3. Alternative Coverage Low or High Alternative Providers
- 4. Resource Attractiveness Easy or Difficult Program to Resource

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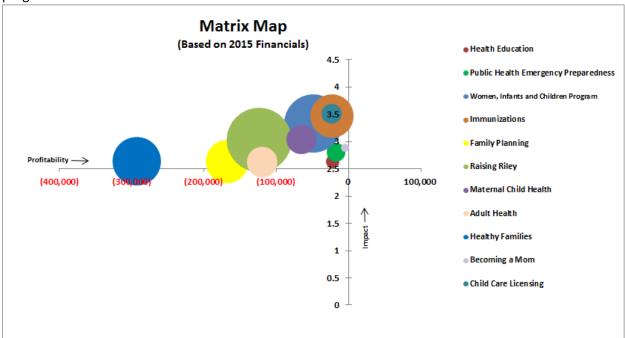
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> I.C. MacMillan, "Competitive Strategies for Not-for-Profit Agencies," Advances in Strategic Management 1 (London: JAI Press Inc., 1983), pg 61-82

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> J. Bell, J. Masaoka and S. Zimmerman, "Nonprofit Sustainability: Making Strategic Decisions for Financial Viability, (San Francisco, CA: Jossey-Bass)

Results of the MacMillian Matrix are provided below.

			MacMillan Matrix		
		High Program At	ttractiveness: "Easy"	Low Program Attractiv	veness: "Difficult"
		Alternative	Alternative	Alternative	Alternative
		Coverage	Coverage	Coverage	Coverage
		High	Low	High	Low
		1. Compete Aggressively	2. Grow Aggressively	5. Support the best competitor	6. "Soul of the Agency"
					Public Health
GOOD FIT	St		Child Care Licensing;		Emergency
WITH	Strong		Women, Infants and		Preparedness;
MISSION	Competitive Position	Adult Health;	Children Program;		Family Planning;
AND	Position		Immunizations; Raising		Maternal Child
ABILITIES			Riley;		Health; Becoming a
ADILITIES					Mom;
	Weak	3. Divest aggressively	4. Build Strength or Get Out	7. Divest Systematically	8. Work Collaboratively
	Competitive				Health Education;
POORFIT					
WITH		9. Aggressive Divestment	10. Orderly Divestment	11. Aggressive Divestment	12. Orderly Divestment
MISSION					Healthy Families;

The Matrix Map approach allows organizations to gain insight into their long-term sustainability by using a financially focused lens coupled with mission impact. The horizontal axis represents profitability; bubbles that plot to the right of the center point are profitable. The vertical axis represents mission impact; the farther above the center point a bubble plots, the greater its impact. The size of the bubble represents the size of the program expenses, which provides a relative size comparison to the other programs.



A SWOT is analysis is a method used to evaluate the Strengths, Weakness, Opportunities, and Threats facing an organization. A SWOT analysis identifies both internal and external factors that may impact an

organization. Strengths are internal positive attributes of the organization and weakness are internal attributes that may hinder the success of an organization. Opportunities are external factors that may facilitate the activities of the organization, while threats are external factors that may prevent the organization from meeting its goals. In March 2016, KHI conducted a SWOT analysis during an in-service meeting with RCHD staff. A summary of findings are presented below.

Strengths	Weaknesses
Internal collaboration	Communication
Passionate	EHRs
Work well together	Policies and procedures-need
Knowledgeable staff	developed
Diverse skills	Succession plan
Adaptable	Warm hand offs
Friendly atmosphere	Tracking referrals
Strong leadership	Program integration formalizing
Good benefits	Reducing repetition
Provide education well	Marketing/social media
Meet needs by linking elsewhere	Scheduling/availability to clients
Fill a unique role in the community	Technology-inefficiencies
Coordinate, execute outreach	Community outreach
Good rapport	Employee wellness
Affordable for clients	Time management
Allor dable for clients	Prioritize
Opportunities	Threats (Challenges)
Kansas State University (KSU)	Separate building
Master of Public Health	Cuts to funding
(MPH)/marketing students	Negative perceptions
	Sex education(Political
Using existing organizations to	•
spread the word Linking up with other providers	sensitivities)
Working with Ft. Riley	Prioritization of government funds High demand because of location
Mental Health – provide or link to	Located next to competition
services	Large population
Working with school districts	Continuity of care
Worksite Wellness	Limited opportunities for mental
Opportunity with job corps	health care
Opportunities related to the CHIP	Infection control (w/ NBAF,
Outreach to non-traditional	population at university and Fort
partners	Riley)
Expanding postnatal services	Language barrier
Technical Assistance	Limited time to advocate and
Training using expertise @ state	limitations on advocacy
level	Not enough childcare
Affordable Care Act	DAISEY-Replication, decisions
Patient assistance programs	made without local input
ACE's	Systems communicating
Via Christi collaboration-policies	interfacings
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and funding	Uneven tech requirements and capabilities

Bills that impact our work (such as
in the legislature)
Sustainability planning
PHEP Funding cuts

# Summary of Strategic Priorities

#### 1. Promote and Protect Health

Promoting and protecting health is an essential part of our mission statement and a key component of what we do at the health department. It's what public health is all about, and it is part of every program. If we don't do this well, we are not serving the population of Riley County in the way that we need to. Therefore, it is essential that we have a strategic focus in this area.

#### 2. Community Outreach and Engagement

Community outreach and engagement is a strategic priority for RCHD because we need to involve the public and our partners in building a healthy community. We do this by working together to improve health, developing healthy policies, and providing education about healthy living. We also strive to ensure that our community members know about and value what we do at the health department. When the Riley County community thinks about healthy living, we want them to think of RCHD as a leader.

#### 3. Quality and Sustainability

At RCHD, we are building a culture of quality improvement, always aiming for the best in all that we do. In order to best serve our community, we must focus on efficient and effective operations. We achieve our goals by optimizing our use of technology and having a strong focus on measuring and achieving our goals. Providing quality public health services helps us to maintain a positive image in the community and with our funders. These help us to ensure sustainability of the public health department well into the future.

#### 4. Skills and Engaged Staff

It's important to have a competent workforce in order to continue operations and provide quality services, which allows us to reach our goals in all areas. We aim to give staff opportunities to develop and grow professionally so that they are performing at a high standard, satisfied with their work environment and passionate about what they do. As a health department, our workforce is our biggest asset in serving the community.

# Goals and Objectives

Goals are broad targets that address each strategic priority. Goals identify in broad terms how a priority is going to change things in order to solve the problem you have identified. In short, a goal is a result that one is attempting to achieve. Objectives are specific statements about what your efforts and actions are intended to accomplish. Objectives make goals more precise and delineate what you will achieve, how much, and by when. The RCHD Strategic Planning Team developed goals and objectives for each strategic priority with feedback and input from community partners. The goals and objectives for each priority are presented below.

Riley County Health Department Strategic Priorities, Goals, and Objectives

# Strategic Priority: Promote and Protect Health

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#### Goal:

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  - Communicable Disease Control
  - o Environmental Health
  - o Maternal, Family and Child Health
  - Access to and Linkages with Clinical Care

# **Objectives:**

Health Promotion and Disease Prevention/Communicable Disease Control

• By December 2017, develop and implement a comprehensive community-based health promotion and disease prevention plan based on known health risk factors from established data sources (e.g BRFSS, YRBSS, U.S. census data, Riley County CHIP, etc)

#### Environmental Health

• Through 2019, host quarterly meetings with Riley County Department of Planning and Development (Environmental Health) to assure that Environmental Health Services such as school inspections and water testing are being provided to Riley County

Maternal, Family and Child Services and Communicable Disease Control

 By December 2019, increase the number of clients who have received family planning services, maternal and child services (including WIC and home visiting), and STD and HIV testing and treatment by 10% for programs overall

Access to & Linkages with Clinical Care

- By December 2018, make available an electronic database of community health and social services on the Riley County Health Department Website (Linkage to CHIP)
- By December 2017, determine a baseline number of RCHD clients that receive internal RCHD referrals and external referrals to outside organizations for health, insurance and social services and

by 2019 increase internal and external client referrals for health, insurance and social services by 20%

#### Goal:

• Utilize evidence-based practices to address health risks, health behaviors, disease prevention, and wellness.

# **Objectives:**

- By August 2017, gain access to at least one academic database (e.g. Academic Search Premier, Ebsco) via Kansas State or other academic institutions and subscribe to one at least one Academic Journal (e.g. American Journal of Public Health)
- By December 2018 85% of all new (after the implementation of the strategic plan) programmatic efforts at the health department have scientific evidence of significantly changing knowledge, attitudes, intentions, or behavior as determined by scientific literature (e.g. peer-reviewed journal articles, meta-analysis, Cochrane database, evidence reviews, etc.)
- By December 2018, determine the baseline number of programmatic efforts that are evidence-based and by December 2019 increase the programmatic efforts that are evidence based by 20%.

# Strategic Priority: Community Outreach and Engagement

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#### Goal:

• Expand and strengthen relationships with community partners

## **Objectives:**

- By April 2017, develop an official list of organizational partners and identify areas where additional partners are needed.
- By December 2017, facilitate annual meetings with community partners to share information and discuss community and regional health issues.

#### Goal:

Develop strategies to improve communication with partners-and the public

# **Objectives:**

- Increase public attendance at Public Health Advisory Council meetings to 10 people each year by December 2019.
- 18% of current Everbridge users opt in to new Health Alerts by July 2019.
- Develop a coordinated organizational branding strategy for the development and distribution of health department informational materials by July 2017.
- Develop and implement a policy for notifying the public of health concerns by December 2017

#### Goal:

Advocate and educate for a health in all policies (HiAP) approach to decision-making

#### **Objectives:**

- By July 2018, 95% of the Health Department staff and PHAC members will be able to recognize 2 HiAP approaches.
- By December 2019, present a draft resolution to the Riley County Board of Commissioners/Health that indicates a commitment to HiAP.

# Strategic Priority:

# **Quality and Sustainability**

At RCHD, we are building a culture of quality improvement, always aiming for the best in all that we do. In order to best serve our community, we must focus on efficient and effective operations. We achieve our goals by optimizing our use of technology and having a strong focus on measuring and achieving our goals. Providing quality public health services helps us to maintain a positive image in the community and with our funders. These help us to ensure sustainability of the public health department well into the future.

#### Goal:

• Integrate continuous quality improvement into organizational practices, processes, programs, and interventions

# **Objectives:**

- By June 2017, the health department will have adopted a Quality Improvement (QI) Policy and Plan.
- By September 2017, the QI team will educate and train all staff on the QI Plan, system, and roles and responsibilities within the system.
- By July 2018, each health department program will have identified a QI project and get it approved through the QI team.
- By December 2018, the health department director and Insight team will have selected a new electronic health record (EHR) system for implementation by December 2019.
- By December 2019, each program will have completed a full QI project and Plan, Do, Check, Act cycle.

#### Goal:

Achieve Public Health Accreditation Board (PHAB) accreditation

## **Objectives:**

- By June 2017, the health department director and accreditation coordinator will make a
  presentation to the Board of Health during the County Commissioner's meeting on the value,
  benefits, and full process of applying for Public Health Accreditation and obtain board approval to
  submit registration to inform PHAB of the health department's intention to apply.
- By March 2018, the health department will have completed and documented all pre-requisites and submit an application and fee to the accreditation board. See appendix A (National Public Health Department Accreditation Readiness Checklists)
- By March 2019, the health department will have selected documentation for each PHAB measure (version 1.5) and submitted documentation to PHAB.
- By December 2019, the health department will participate in a site visit conducted by PHAB.

## **Strategic Priority**:

# **Skilled and Engaged Staff**

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#### Goal:

• Recruit, hire, retain, and train a competent and diverse workforce.

#### **Objectives:**

#### Recruit and Train

• By June 2017, adopt an internship policy and procedure to help recruit and train a competent workforce.

#### Recruit and Hire

• Through December 2019, improve recruitment efforts to increase diversity in geography and minority status in the RCHD workforce

#### Retain

- By June 2018, identify at least one reason or risk factor for employee separation to aid in future employee retention efforts
- Through December 2019, recognize an employee or team of the quarter at in-service meetings

#### Train

• Through December 2019, each staff member will participate in at least 16 hours per year of approved job-related professional developments identified by program supervisors or individuals.

# Recruit, hire, retain, and train

• By January 2018, create and implement a workforce development plan for current and future Riley County Health Department employees.

#### Goal:

• Support and facilitate workplace wellness for Riley County Health Department Employees.

#### **Objectives:**

 By April 2018, create, pilot, and evaluate a worksite wellness plan for Riley County Health Department Staff

# Linkages with the Community Health Improvement Plan and Quality Improvement Plan

The RCHD strategic plan works in conjunction with the Riley County CHIP and the RCHD QI. Data from the CNA informs the development of all three plans. In 2014, Wichita State University's Center for Community Support and Research was contracted to conduct a comprehensive community-wide health assessment for Riley County to highlight community strengths and needs. In 2015, RCHD worked with community partners including Via Christi Hospital, Konza United Way, Riley County Senior Services Center and First United Methodist Church, to begin a CHIP Process to determine the top health priorities to address and improve. Three priorities were selected as having the most potential for collective impact in improving the health of Riley County: Communication and Coordination of Systems and Services, Transportation, and Mental Health. RCHD is working with community partners to develop a more detailed implementation plan with specific, measurable objectives, and activities. The RCHD staff are in the process of a developing a QI improvement plan to improve upon organizational process and outcomes.

As RCHD staff work towards accreditation, it is important that there is alignment between these three plans. Thus, some initiatives and activities will overlap and are included into two or even all three plans. For example, the third strategic priority addresses quality and sustainability. Objectives and action steps are included to complete a QI plan, train staff on the QI process, and complete program specific QI projects. In addition, the Communication and Coordination of Systems and Services priority identified in the CHIP process is addressed in the RCHD Strategic Plan. Objectives and action steps are included to "expand and strengthen relationships with community partners", to "develop strategies to improve communication with partners and the public," and to "make available an electronic database of community health and social services on the Riley County Health Department Website."



The Community Health Assessment informs all three plans.

(Adapted from MarMason Consulting LLC, 2012)

# Putting the Strategic Plan in Action

The Strategic Planning Team has developed an action plan (Appendix A) to accompany this report. This action plan includes specific actions steps that will serve as a guide for the initiatives and activities of RCHD programs over the next three years. The team will develop a Performance Management System to monitor key performance indicators for RCHD as a whole. As a part of performance management system, outcome measures developed for each goal will be used to monitor progress toward meeting the goals and objectives of the strategic plan (see below). The Strategic Planning team will analyze and interpret performance data quarterly. Quarterly progress reports will be presented during public BOCC and PHAC meetings, and will be included in the RCHD Annual Report. In addition, Appendix D of this report will be updated to include annual reports of our progress toward meeting our goals and objectives. Performance data related to the strategic plan will also be used for quality improvement, including making needed adjustments to the strategic plan and developing QI projects to improve policies and programs.

#### 1. Promote and Protect Health

Goal 1: Promote activity or collaboration within each of the Foundational Areas of the Foundational Public Health Services Model

#### **Outcome Measures**

- Number of clients receiving family planning services, maternal and child services (including WIC and home visiting), and STD and HIV testing and treatment services
- Percentage of internal and external referrals clients are receiving for health, insurance and social services

Goal 2: Utilize evidence-based practices to address health risks, health behaviors, disease prevention, and wellness

#### **Outcome Measures:**

- Obtaining access to academic databases
- Percentage of new programmatic efforts that have scientific evidence of significantly changing knowledge, attitudes, intentions, or behavior as determined by scientific literature
- Percentage of programs/services that are evidence based

## 2. Community Outreach and Engagement

Goal 1: Expand and strengthen relationships with community partners

#### **Outcome Measures**

• Number and percentage of organizational community partners

Goal 2: Develop strategies to improve communication with partners and the public

#### **Outcome Measures:**

- Number and percentage of attendees at Public Health Advisory Council (PHAC)
- Number and percentage of Everbridge users opting in to a new Health Alerts

Goal 3: Advocate and educate for a health in all policies (HiAP) approach to decision-making

#### **Outcome Measures**

Percentage of RCHD staff and PHAC members will be able to recognize 2 HiAP approaches

#### 3. Quality and Sustainability

Goal 1: Integrate continuous quality improvement into organizational practices, processes, programs, and interventions.

#### **Outcome Measures**

- Approval of an RCHD Quality Improvement Plan
- Completion of quality improvement projects by each RCHD program

Goal 2: Achieve Public Health Accreditation Board (PHAB) Accreditation Outcome Measures

• Achievement of PHAB accreditation

#### 4. Skilled and Engaged Staff

Goal 1: Recruit, hire, retain and train a diverse and competent workforce

#### **Outcome Measures**

 Proficiency in each of the competencies for public health public health professionals (KDHE core competency assessment)

Goal 2: Support and facilitate workplace wellness for Riley County Health Department Employees.

#### **Outcome Measures**

- Percentage of health department employees that participate in workplace wellness activities.
- Process evaluation of implementation: items set forth in the plan are being implemented and adhered to

# Appendices

## Appendix A: Action Plan

To accompany the strategic priorities, goals, and objectives, the Strategic Planning Team developed an action plan. The action plan includes specific action steps that need to be taken to meet each objective. The action plan also outlines which RCHD staff should participate in and are responsible for completing the action step. Further, the strategic plan is a collaborative effort and requires active and engaged participation from all RCHD staff. A range of dates during which the action step should be completed is indicated. Dates range from January 2017 to December 2019. Although some activities have a defined completion date, other action steps are ongoing and will span multiple years. Finally, resources (funding, outside community partners and personnel, equipment, technology/websites) needed to complete the tasks are identified. An example of the action plan can be found below.

# Strategic Priority: Promote and Protect Health

Promoting and protecting health is an essential part of our mission statement and a key component of what we do at the health department. It's what public health is all about, and it's part of every program. If we don't do this well, we are not serving the population of Riley County in the way that we need to. Therefore, it is essential that we have a strategic focus in this area.

## Goal

Promote activity or collaboration within each of the Foundational Areas of the Foundational Public Health Services model

#### **Outcome Measures**

Number of clients receiving family planning services, maternal and child services (including WIC and home visiting), and STD and HIV testing and treatment services

Percentage of internal and external referrals clients are receiving for health, insurance and social services

Objective I	Actions	Responsible Party	Date Range	Resources
Objective i	Actions	responsible i al cy	Date Range	Resources
By December 2017, develop and implement a comprehensive community-based health promotion and disease prevention plan based on known health risk factors from established data sources	Develop a comprehensive community-based health promotion and disease prevention plan  Approve plan  Implement plan	Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP) Coordinator, Clinic Supervisor, Health Educator, Disease Investigation Nurse  Leadership Team  Leadership Team	January- July 2017  August- September 2017  November 2017, ongoing	Community Partners: Flint Hills Wellness Coalition (FHWC), Kansas State University (KSU), Via Christi Hospital, etc. Data Sources: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE), Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS), Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance System (YRBSS), Riley County Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP), U.S. census data

Objective 2	Actions	Responsible Party	Date Range	Resources
Through 2019, host quarterly meetings with Riley County (RC) Department of Planning and	Determine quarterly meeting dates with RC Environmental Health	Administrative Director	January 2017- March 2017	RCHD and RC Planning & Development/Environmental Health Specialist
Development (Environmental Health) to assure that Environmental Health Services such as school inspections and water testing are being provided to Riley County.	Host RC Environmental Health staff at meetings, on a quarterly basis	Administrative Director, PHEP Coordinator, Riley County Health Department (RCHD)Epidemiology Team	March 2017, ongoing	
Objective 3	Actions	Responsible Party	Date Range	Resources
By December 2019, increase the number of clients who have received family	Establish a follow-up appointment policy for family planning clients	Clinic Supervisor, Administrative Director	January-March 2017	marketing/advertising Insight, KWIC
planning services, maternal and child services (including WIC and home visiting), and STD and HIV testing and	Create and implement an Internal and External Referral System	Leadership Team	January-March 2017, ongoing	
treatment by 10% for programs overall.	Make Appointments or follow up with clients met at community outreach events	Administrative Director; Clinic, WIC, and Family Connections Supervisors, Disease Investigation Nurse	April2017, ongoing	

Objective 4	Actions	Responsible Party	Date Range	Resources
By December 2018, make available an electronic database of community health	Participate in monthly meetings with community partners to develop a database	Administrative Director, Health Educator	February2017, ongoing	Community partners and coalitions (FHWC, RC IT/GIS, KSU, Manhattan Public Library, FHWC, etc.); area
and social services on the RCHD Website	Provide database on RCHD webpage	Administrative Director, Health Educator	December 2018	medical and social service providers (Via Christi, private practice, Pawnee Mental Health, etc.); RC CHIP Funding
Objective 5	Actions	Responsible Party	Date Range	Resources
By December 2017, determine a baseline number of RCHD clients that receive internal RCHD	Create and implement an Internal and External Referral System	Leadership Team	January-March 2017, ongoing	Relevant community partners such as, Insight, Kansas WIC (KWIC) System
referrals and external referrals to outside organizations for health, insurance and social services and by 2019 increase internal and external client referrals for health, insurance and social services by 20%.	Determine baseline data by checking health records and other reporting forms for both internal and external referrals for services(ranging from clinical to social services)	Leadership Team	April-December 2017	
20,0	Determine change in internal and external referrals	Leadership Team	January 2017- December 2018, 2019	

# Appendix B: Strategic Planning Team

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# Appendix C: Summary of Strategic Planning Process

Beginning in January 2016, RCHD staff underwent a yearlong strategic planning process. A summary of the strategic planning process facilitated by KHI is provided here. A timeline of the strategic planning process can be found below.

## 1. Assess Readiness for Strategic Planning

In December 2015, the then RCHD Administrative Director, reached out to KHI to inquire about facilitation of a Strategic Planning Process. Over the course of a few phone calls, they discussed RCHD's progress on the other pre-requisites for strategic planning (the CNA and CHIP) and RCHD's proposed timeline for becoming accredited. They discussed health department personnel's participation in inperson learning sessions about conducting a Strategic Plan, and also mapped out a process for strategic planning, which incorporated the steps of the NACCHO strategic planning handbook.

#### 2. Evaluate and Revise Mission, Vision, and Values

From January to March 2016, in discussions facilitated by KHI, the Strategic Planning Team reviewed and evaluated the current RCHD vision and mission statement (a RCHD values statement was not in existence at the time). The Strategic Planning Team drafted proposed revisions to these statements. The proposed vision, mission, and values statements were presented to all RCHD staff during a half-day planning session with all RCHD staff. No change was made to the existing RCHD vision (*Healthy People in a Healthy Community*). After group discussion, changes were made to the mission and values statements.

The drafted vision, mission, and values statements were reviewed by the BOH and PHAC, and community stakeholders during a series of meetings in the spring and fall. In April and May 2016 the RCHD Strategic Planning Team presented the vision and revised mission and values to the BOH and PHAC, respectively, for review and feedback. Feedback from PHAC members was presented to staff during an all staff meeting in June 2016. RCHD staff had an additional opportunity provide comments during the meeting. The Strategic Planning Team met in July 2016 to incorporate feedback on the mission and values statements. In September 2016, community stakeholders were invited to attend a half-day meeting to hear the vision and revised mission and values. More than 40 community partners and organizations attended.

#### 3. Conduct an Environmental Scan & Program Assessment

In January 2016, the Strategic Planning Team actively participated in an Environmental Scan and Program Assessment, facilitated by KHI. Data was gathered from various sources including a LPHSA, CHIP, CNA, a policy scan, and a Program Assessment. These data provided an overview of community health needs, RCHD strengths and weaknesses, and current capacity of RCHD and informed the strategic planning process. A summary of the Environmental Scan and Program Assessment is provided on page 7.

#### 4. Select Strategic Priorities

In March 2016, KHI facilitated an in-person planning session with all RCHD staff to: 1) reflect on proposed RCHD's mission, vision, and values (as described above) 2) discuss information about the health department's operations 3) determine key areas of strengths and improvements by completing a

SWOT analysis, and finally 4) used this information to compile a draft list of strategic priorities. Strategic priorities were drafted based on the following criteria: 1) need for improvement 2) opportunity for internal and external collaboration 3) feasibility (including availability of resources and probability of success) 4) visible impact and 5) measurability. Staff used a nominal group process to brainstorm important priorities. The list was then refined, prioritized and reflected upon. Four strategic priorities were drafted and defined: Promote and Protect Health 2) Community Outreach and Engagement 3) Quality and Sustainability 4) Skilled and Engaged Staff.

In April and May 2016 the RCHD Strategic Planning Team presented the drafted strategic priorities to the BOH and PHAC for review and feedback. Utilizing this feedback, the RCHD Strategic Planning Team revised the strategic priorities and developed draft goals for each priority. RCHD staff had an additional opportunity to review the drafted strategic priorities and provide feedback during a staff meeting in June 2016. In September 2016, community stakeholders were invited to attend a half-day meeting, as described above, to review and confirm the drafted strategic priorities and goals. Feedback received from community partners was reviewed by the Strategic Planning Team and used to refine goals and develop objectives and action steps.

#### 5. Write Goals, Objectives, and Action Steps

From October to December 2016, the RCHD Strategic Planning Team held at least monthly meetings to write goals, objectives, and actions steps for each of the strategic priorities. Meetings were facilitated by KHI and utilized Adobe Connect. Members of the Strategic Planning Team held additional small group work meetings to further discuss goals, objectives, and action steps for specific strategic priorities. Outcomes measures to help us determine if the goals of our strategic plan are being met, were identified for each strategic priority.

In a series of meetings in January 2016, the final strategic priorities, goals, objectives, and action steps were presented to all RCHD staff, the PHAC members, and the Riley County Commissioners serving as the BOH. On January 30, 2017 the BOH approved the RCHD organizational strategic plan.

#### 6. Successful Implementation and Monitoring

The implementation and monitoring of the strategic plan will begin January 2017. The RCHD Strategic Planning Team is in the process of developing a Performance Management System that will include using the outcome measures developed to monitor progress toward meeting the goals and objectives of the strategic plan. The Strategic Planning Team will analyze and interpret performance data quarterly. Quarterly progress reports will be made to during public BOCC and PHAC meetings, and will be included in the RCHD Annual Report. In addition, the Appendix D of this report will be updated to include annual reports of our progress toward meeting our goals and objectives.

#### **Timeline for RCHD Strategic Planning**

Phase	Action	<b>Completion Date</b>
Environmental	Draft list of data collection components	1/21/2016
Scan/Program	Draft timeline for strategic planning	1/21/2016
assessment	Kickoff Phone Call	1/22/2016
	Review and discuss list of data collection	1/22/2016
	components	

	Check-in: email questions as needed	Ongoing
	Collect data components	3/4/2016
	Program assessment	2/29/2016
In-person session to	Set date for in-person strategic planning day	2/2/2010
select strategic priorities	Invite participants (Staff, BOCC, PHAC)	
select strategic priorities	Development of overarching goals for in-	2/18/2016
	person day (draft list of strategic priorities,	2/10/2010
	etc.)	
	Check-in call	2/25/2016
	In-person day agenda developed	2/18/2016
	Collect data components	3/4/2016
	Review key points from data collection	3/4/2016
	Review key points from data conection	3/4/2010
	Check-in Call	3/4/2016
	Put together presentation slides, run through	By 3/17/2016
	slides	
	(practice before 3/17 call)	
	Check-in call	3/17/2016
	In-person day	3/22/2016
	Notes from in-person day	
	Check-in call	4/12/2016
	Draft list of strategic priorities	
Share Strategic Priorities	Develop questions for feedback from PHAC	4/21/2016
with Leadership; Develop	and BOH	
program purpose	Check-in call	5/4/2016
statements (connecting to	Meeting with BOH to share draft strategic	5/19/2016
the WHY)	priorities; request guidance on strategic	
	planning process given the current status of	
	director search	
	Utilize logic model template to identify short,	5/27/2016
	intermediate, and long-term outcomes that	
	program aims to achieve	
	Work with staff to identify program purpose	5/27/2016
	statements	
	Marking the DHAC to all on the Gratest at the	( /20 /201 (
	Meeting with PHAC to share draft strategic	6/29/2016
	priorities	
	All feedback from PHAC and BOH due	7/8/2016
	Meet to discuss feedback from PHAC and	· · ·
	BOH on Strategic Priorities	7/13/2016 3:30- 5:00
	BOH oil strategic Friorities	3:00
	Connect program purpose statements to	
	draft strategic priorities; incorporate	
	outcomes into performance management	
	system	
	Check-in call	

Half-day session with	Identify invite list for half-day session with	8/12/2016
stakeholders to review	community partners	, ,
and confirm strategic	Set date for half-day session with community	
priorities, brainstormed	partners	
goals	Development of overarching goals for half-	8/26/2016
	day session (confirmed list of strategic	
	priorities, etc.)	
	Invite community partners	8/26/2016
	Half-day session agenda developed	9/01/2016
	Check-in call	9/01/2017
	Finalize content and slides	9/20/2017
	Half-day session with community partners	9/27/2016
	Notes from half-day session	10/04/2016
	Confirmed list of strategic priorities;	10/14/2016
	brainstormed list of goals	
Write and finalize the	Goals, objectives, activities drafted	10/28/2016
strategic plan and action	Feedback on goals, objectives, activities	11/04/2016
steps	Check-in call	11/21/2016 and
		12/13/2016
	Finalize the Strategic Planning Documents	12/30/2016
	Identification of key measures for PM system	01/03/2016
	Presentation to RCHD Staff	1/26/2017
	Presentation to BOH and community	1/30/2017
Implementation and	Implement and track strategic plan	Beginning in January
Monitoring		2017

# Appendix D: Annual Progress Reports

This section will be updated annually to include progress made towards meeting goals, objectives, and action steps outlined in the plan. This section will also describe how the progress towards RCHD goals and objectives benefits and influences the health of the community.

#### 2017 Annual Report

#### **Promote and Protect Health**

Goal: Promote activity or collaboration within each of the Kansas Foundational Areas of the Foundational Public Health Services Model

- Health Promotion and Disease Prevention
- Communicable Disease Control
- Environmental Health
- Maternal, Family and Child Health
- Access to & Linkages with Clinical Care

A Community-Based Health Promotion and Disease Prevention Plan for 2017 – 2019 has been written. Goals and strategies for five major areas have been developed. These five areas are: 1) enhanced surveillance systems, 2) communicable disease prevention and health promotion, 3) chronic disease prevention and health promotion, 4) seeking and advocating for funding initiatives, and 5) strengthening partnerships and leveraging resources.

Further, we aimed to host quarterly meetings with Riley County Department of Planning and Development to ensure that environmental health services such as school inspections and water testing are being provided. Two meetings with Planning and Development were held, one in April and one in November. Meeting topics included school inspections, BugAPalooza, welcoming the new Environmental Health Specialist, disease investigations, water testing, and collaborating with child care licensing. In addition, the RCHD Administrative Director was part of the hiring committee to select the new Environmental Health Specialist.

The Integrated Referral and Intake System (IRIS) system was identified as a possible vehicle for managing internal and external referrals and help the community access clinical care and social services. This is a user friendly, free, online, multi-program referral system that was designed by the University of Kansas Center for Public Partnerships and Research. The RCHD leadership team contacted selected community partners about this and an introductory meeting was held in November. Follow-up meetings to implement the community wide system will be held in 2018.

# Goal: Utilize evidence-based practices to address health risks, health behaviors, disease prevention, and wellness

We aimed to gain access to at least one academic database and subscribe to at least one academic journal. The RCHD Director worked with the Cindy Logan, KSU Librarian, to identify avenues for staff to Full text access academic articles. The Directory of Open Access Journals (<a href="www.doaj.org">www.doaj.org</a>) was identified as one website that has limited access free full-text articles. This information will be shared with staff during the December all staff meeting.

#### **Community Outreach and Engagement**

Goal: Expand and strengthen relationships with community partners

The RCHD leadership team compiled a database of more than 300 persons and organizations in the community that RCHD staff partner with on public health activities. In addition, staff identified community partners we have not yet engaged with. The database was distributed to staff and will be updated annually or as needed.

In October, RCHD hosted a Community Partner Meeting to share information about current programs and initiatives. The more than 30 partners present participated in an Action SWOT Analysis to help to understand how the RCHD fits into the external environment, identify the organizational strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats. Partners identified strategies to build on organizational strengths, mitigate organizational weakness, capitalize on opportunities, and prevent future threats.

#### Goal: Develop strategies to improve communication with partners and the public

The Public Health Advisory Council (PHAC) advises RCHD. PHAC members are citizens of the Manhattan community and Riley County. Members represent the community served by the health department and advocate for the health of our community. PHAC members meet monthly during open meetings to address key community health issues. An ongoing objective of the PHAC and the health department is to increase community participation. RCHD created Facebook invites for each meeting and posted PHAC information on the RCHD website. RCHD staff will continue to work to increase PHAC attendance in 2018. RCHD staff will also utilize The Mercury Newspaper online calendar and Nextdoor website to promote PHAC meetings.

In 2017, members of RCHD staff formed a committee to explore and evaluate the current Riley County and RCHD branding policies. A branding strategy is being completed not only as a part of RCHD's intention to apply for Public Health Accreditation Board (PHAB) Accreditation, but also as a part of our work towards becoming a more efficient and effective health department that is engaged with community partners and the public. The purpose of the Branding Strategy Committee is to communicate the value of the RCHD's products, services, and practices to external audiences. The committee investigated and reviewed branding policies from other local health departments and public health agencies in the United States. Committee members attended a branding strategy workshop in November 2017. The branding strategy was reviewed and revised by the RCHD Leadership Team.

In 2018, RCHD staff will work to develop a policy for notifying the public of health concerns and develop health alerts and reminders for the public utilizing the Everbridge system. Further, RCHD will advocate and educate for a health in all policies (HiAP) approach including training for RCHD staff, PHAC members, and the BOH.

#### **Quality and Sustainability**

# Goal: Integrate continuous quality improvement into organizational practices, processes, programs, and interventions

In 2017 the Health Department made strides to build a culture of quality improvement to better serve our community. Our Quality Improvement (QI) Plan was adopted in May 2017. Staff received training on QI concepts in our September all staff professional development meeting. Staff began brainstorming QI projects and submitted purpose or AIM statements to the QI team in December. QI projects will begin in July 2018 after approval and feedback from the QI Team.

In addition to QI activities, the Health Department began exploring options for a new electronic health record (EHR) system. The Health Department Director, Nursing Supervisor, and other front-line staff attended several demonstrations in partnership with five other local health departments. Requests for proposals will be sent out in January 2018 and a decision will be made by summer 2018.

#### Goal: Achieve Public Health Accreditation Board (PHAB) Accreditation

In July 2017 the Accreditation Coordinator and Health Department Director presented to the Board of Health and requested approval to apply for Accreditation in May 2018. The Board of Health agreed to support the Health Department in applying for Accreditation. The Health Department completed all prerequisites for Accreditation including the Strategic Plan, Quality Improvement Plan, Branding Strategy, Community Health Assessment, Community Health Improvement Plan, Workforce Development Plan, Emergency Operations Plan, and Performance Management System and Policy. The Flint Hills Wellness Coalition was a critical partner in ensuring the completion of the Community Health Improvement Plan and will take the lead in completing action steps.

#### **Skilled and Engaged Staff**

#### Goal: Recruit, hire, retain and train a diverse and competent workforce

It's important to have a competent workforce in order to continue operations and provide quality services, which allows us to reach our goals in all areas. We aim to give staff opportunities to develop and grow professionally so that they are performing at a high standard, satisfied with their work environment and passionate about what they do. As a health department, our workforce is our biggest asset in serving the community.

In an effort to maintain and train a competent current and future workforce, we have developed and implemented an internship policy, effective October 2017. The policy can be found on the Riley County website along with an application to apply for an internship with RCHD. In early 2017, RCHD implemented an exit interview policy to determine risk factors for employee separation. The identification of risk factors will aid in future employee retention efforts. As a part of the RCHD workforce development plan, a professional development tracking database was created. Effective January 2018, all staff will be required to take 16 hours of professional development training and log the trainings in the database annual.

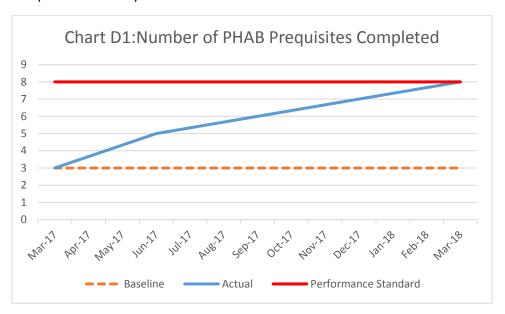
#### Goal: Support and facilitate workplace wellness for Riley County Health Department Employees

In spring 2017, a Worksite Wellness Committee was formed to develop a worksite wellness plan. The Worksite Wellness Team conducted a survey among RCHD employees to identify which areas of worksite wellness to focus on. "Well-Being" was identified as the area of focus. In the fall of 2017, the Worksite Wellness Team initiated an Employee of the Month recognition award for RCHD staff. In addition, the Worksite Wellness Team revised and implemented RCHD Employee Satisfaction Survey in Fall 2017.

#### **Performance Management**

As a part of a performance management system, outcome measures developed for each goal will be used to monitor progress toward meeting the goals and objectives of the strategic plan. The Strategic Planning team will analyze and interpret performance data quarterly. A sample of progress towards performance measures are included below.

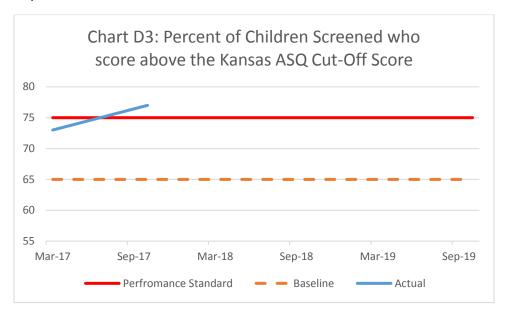
Riley County Health Department staff have completed 7 of the 8 PHAB prerequisites (Chart D1). To meet the performance standard all prerequisites should be completed. Completed prerequisites include a Community Health Assessment, Community Health Improvement Plan, a Branding Strategy, Emergency Operations Plan, and a Strategic Plan. The last prerequisite, the Workforce Development Plan was completed in January 2018.



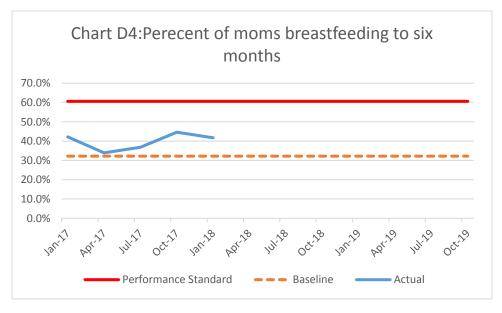
The Child Care Licensing program tracks the number of abuse, injuries, or deaths that occur in a child care setting. The performance standard is one or fewer reports of injury, abuse, or death in a child care setting. In 2017, The CCL program acquired the contract to license Geary County (GE) child care facilities in addition to Riley County (RL). The baseline number of abuse, injury or deaths in a child care setting was two in 2016 and was adjusted to a new baseline of zero in 2017 to reflect the inclusion of Geary County.

Table D1. Child Care Licensing Reports of Injury, Abuse, Neglect				
2016 2017				
Riley County 2 0*				
Geary County - 0*				
*Meets performance standard of 1 or fewer reports of injury, abuse or death in a child care setting				

The Raising Riley program tracks the percent of children screened by the Raising Riley program who score above the State of Kansas Ages and Stages Questionnaire (ASQ-3) cut off scores. ASQ cut-off scores vary by age of the child and developmental area. The performance standard indicates 75% of children screened should score above the ASQ cut-off guidelines. By third quarter of 2017, 77% of children screened scored above the ASQ cut-off guidelines exceeding the performance standard (Chart D3).



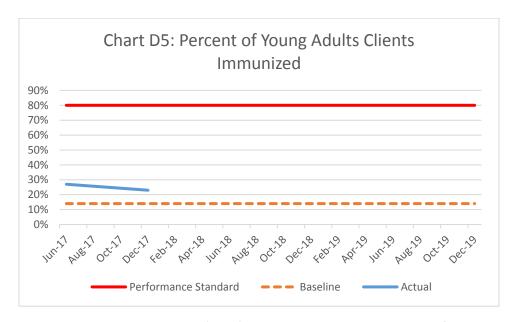
WIC tracks the percentage of WIC mothers breastfeeding to six months. The performance standard based on Healthy People 2020 suggests a target of 60.6% of WIC mothers breastfeeding until six months. The percentage of mothers enrolled in WIC reporting breastfeeding to six months ranges from 33.9% to 44.6% each quarter (Chart D4). The WIC Breastfeeding Peer Counselor continues to increase the number of direct contacts with WIC clients to provide personalized breastfeeding support.



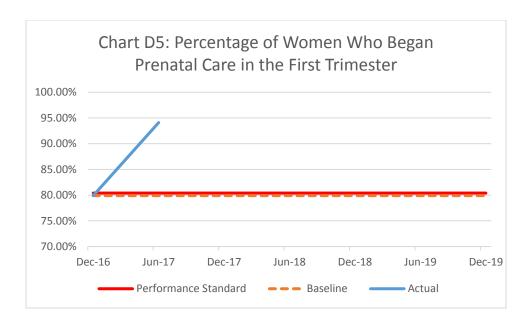
The public health clinic tracks the percent of young adults (18-26) clients who have been immunized against the Human Papilloma Virus (HPV). The performance standard, based on a Healthy People 2020 measure, indicates a goal of 80% of males and females immunized against HPV. At baseline 14% of young adults seen in the clinic were immunized against HPV. By the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter of 2017, 23% of young adults received the HPV vaccine (Chart D5). RCHD clinic staff applied for funding from the Kansas Department of Health and Environment to implement evidence-based strategies to improve HPV immunization rates.

Note: The HP 2020 HPV vaccination measures is targeted for adolescents ages 13-15. Thus, by age 18-26, a reasonable performance standard is at least 80% of young adults receive the HPV vaccine. For more information on the HP2020 HPV vaccination objective visit:

https://www.healthypeople.gov/2020/topics-objectives/topic/immunization-and-infectious-diseases/objectives



The Maternal and Child Health (MCH) program tracks the percentage of mothers enrolled in Becoming a Mom who began prenatal care during their first trimester. The performance standard indicates 80.4% of females received prenatal care beginning in the first trimester of their pregnancy. At baseline (2013-2015), 79.9% of females received prenatal care during their first trimester. Between January and June 2017, 94.1% of BaM participants received prenatal care during their first semester (Chart D5). Data for the remainder of 2017 will be available in spring 2017.



As an indicator of staff preparedness, the Public Health Emergency Preparedness Program tracks the percentage of staff who have completed each required Incident Command System (ICS) training course. At baseline in 2016, 97% of staff completed annual each ICS training course. The performance standard indicates that 100% of staff should complete each required ICS training course. By December 2017, 97.5% of staff completed each of the ICS training courses.

